

# Forever Yours Weddings



**\*\* the bride and groom are responsible for providing their own butterflies. You can google 'butterfly release for wedding' and you should get some vendors that can help you.**

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## Ceremony

We are gathered here today to celebrate one of life's greatest moments, to give recognition to the worth and beauty of love, and to add our best wishes to the words which shall unite **Groom** and **Bride** in marriage.

Life is given to each of us as individuals, and yet we must learn to live together.

Love is given to us by our family or by our friends and we learn to love by being loved.

Learning to love and living together is one of the greatest challenges of life and is the shared goal of a married life.

## Vows

**Groom** do you take **Bride** to be your wife?

Do you promise to love, honor, cherish and protect her, forsaking all others and holding only unto her?

**Bride** do you take **Groom** to be your husband?

Do you promise to love, honor, cherish and protect him, forsaking all others and holding only unto him?

## Rings

**Groom**, take **Bride's** ring, place it on her finger and repeat after me.

I **Groom** take thee, **Bride** to be my wife. To have and to hold, in sickness and in health, for richer or for poorer, and I promise my love to you forevermore.

**Bride**, take **Groom's** ring, place it on his finger and repeat after me.

I **Bride**, take thee **Groom** to be my husband. To have and to hold, in sickness and in health, for richer or for poorer, and I promise my love to you forevermore.

Wedding rings are an outward and visible sign of an inward spiritual grace and the unbroken circle of love, signifying to all the union of this man and this woman in marriage.

## Butterfly Release

According to an American Indian Legend:

If anyone desires a wish to come true they must first capture a butterfly and whisper that wish to it.

Since a butterfly can make no sound, the butterfly can not reveal the wish to anyone but the Great Spirit who hears and sees all. In gratitude for giving the beautiful butterfly its freedom, the Great Spirit always grants the wish.

So, according to the legend, by making a wish and giving the butterfly its freedom, the wish will be taken to the heavens and be granted. We have gathered to grant this couple all our best wishes and are about to set these butterflies free in trust that all these wishes will be granted.

So, to make a wish come true, find a butterfly and whisper your wish to it and let them carry your hopes for what the future may bring, and may your love be uplifted on these butterfly wings.

## Pronouncement

As the two of you come into this marriage uniting you as husband and wife, and as you this day affirm your faith and love for one another, I would ask that you always remember to cherish each other as special and unique individuals, that you respect the thoughts, ideas and suggestions of one another. Be able to forgive, do not hold grudges, and live each day that you may

share it together. As from this day forward you shall be each other's home, comfort and refuge, your marriage strengthened by your love and respect for each other.

So, by joining hands right now and looking into each other's eyes, let it be known that you are joined, body and soul in this lifetime, and that this bond is sacred and eternal. And now that you have stood before me and exchanged these rings and these vows, it gives me great pleasure to pronounce that you are Husband and Wife.

***GROOM, YOU MAY NOW KISS YOUR BRIDE!***

*May I introduce for the first time,  
Mr. and Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_*